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This summary presents results of an August 1990 survey of occupational wages in the Santa Barbara-Santa Maria-Lompoc Metropolitan Statistical Area, which consists of Santa Barbara County. This is 1 of over 110 areas which the Bureau of Labor Statistics surveys annually or every other year at the request of the Employment Standards Administration of the U.S. Department of Labor for use in administering the Service Contract Act of 1965. In addition, the Bureau conducts more extensive studies of occupational wages and related benefits in 90 other areas throughout the United States. For information on these reports and other Bureau publications, contact any BLS regional office identified on the back page.

This study covered establishments employing 50 workers or more in manufacturing; transportation, communication, and other public utilities; wholesale trade; retail trade; finance, insurance, and real estate; and selected services. A sample of 93 establishments employing 25,652 workers was selected to represent 246 establishments employing 44,319 workers in the area. Data collected in the sample of establishments were projected to represent all establishments within the scope of the survey.

Table 1 provides hourly earnings information on office and plant workers employed in selected occupations common to a variety of industries. Occupational classification was based on a uniform set of job descriptions designed to take account of variations in job duties among establishments. The job descriptions used in the survey are available on request. (See table 2 for further information on the scope of the survey.)

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Table 1. Hourly earnings[1] of selected occupations in Santa Barbara-Santa Maria-Lompoc, CA, August 1990

Occupation[2]	Number of workers	Hourly earnings (in dollars)[1]			Number of workers receiving straight-time hourly earnings (in dollars) of —																					
		Mean	Median	Middle range	4.25 and under 4.50	4.50 – 5.00	5.00 – 5.50	5.50 – 6.00	6.00 – 6.50	6.50 – 7.00	7.00 – 7.50	7.50 – 8.00	8.00 – 8.50	8.50 – 9.00	9.00 – 10.00	10.00 – 11.00	11.00 – 12.00	12.00 – 13.00	13.00 – 14.00	14.00 – 15.00	15.00 – 16.00	16.00 – 17.00	17.00 – 18.00	18.00 – 19.00	19.00 – 20.00	20.00 – 21.00	21.00 and over
Secretanes	338	12.57	12.25	10.96–13.89	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	3	10	26	48	62	55	54	20	26	14	14	2	2	1	-
Secretanes I	57	10.65	10.39	9.12–12.45	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	2	9	13	9	6	9	7	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Secretanes II	68	10.85	10.76	10.11–11.38	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	10	26	19	6	4	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Secretanes III	158	13.01	12.93	11.75–14.05	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	11	32	38	33	15	21	3	2	-	-	-	-
Secretanes IV	47	14.98	15.68	13.28–17.23	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	5	2	10	2	5	9	12	-	-	-	-
Secretanes V	8	18.06	18.38	- -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	2	2	1	-
Word processors	49	9.51	9.18	7.84–11.30	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	13	1	2	8	6	4	7	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Word processors I	24	7.91	7.84	6.64– 7.84	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	13	1	1	1	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Word processors II	25	11.05	10.67	9.95–12.08	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	6	4	5	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Key entry operators	75	8.10	8.10	6.75– 8.14	-	-	-	3	4	15	5	8	15	10	6	3	4	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Key entry operators I	58	7.44	7.52	6.75– 8.14	-	-	-	3	4	15	5	8	14	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Key entry operators II	17	10.35	10.50	9.59–11.06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	6	3	4	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
File clerks	20	6.88	6.49	5.88– 8.62	-	-	2	5	3	4	1	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
File clerks I	15	6.22	6.26	5.50– 6.69	-	-	2	5	3	4	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Receptionists	7	8.79	8.10	- -	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	-	1	1	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Switchboard operators	20	6.75	6.50	5.76– 7.21	-	-	4	1	3	5	5	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Switchboard operator-receptionists	65	7.57	7.25	7.00– 8.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Order clerks	13	8.57	8.48	- -	-	-	-	-	1	3	39	2	9	8	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Order clerks I	12	8.33	8.46	- -	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	4	1	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Accounting clerks	407	8.49	7.99	7.25– 9.40	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	4	1	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Accounting clerks II	223	7.71	7.70	6.81– 8.75	-	-	-	18	31	33	56	67	36	30	61	22	28	13	7	-	1	4	-	-	-	-	-
Accounting clerks III	117	9.40	9.23	8.00–10.10	-	-	-	18	15	29	35	55	10	22	32	4	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Accounting clerks IV	35	12.00	11.25	11.25–12.78	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	9	26	7	29	14	7	7	5	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Payroll clerks	36	8.54	8.78	7.25– 9.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	4	19	5	2	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-
					-	-	-	-	-	4	5	2	1	7	13	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Computer systems analysts	130	20.52	20.26	18.75–22.24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	3	8	9	15	20	28	45
Computer systems analysts I	8	16.03	15.87	- -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	2	-	2	-	-	-
Computer programmers	97	16.60	16.24	13.88–18.51	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	5	7	12	13	9	13	10	3	5	2	17
Computer programmers II	30	14.34	14.22	13.22–15.15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	6	9	6	1	1	1	-	-	-
Computer programmers III	36	16.69	16.73	15.39–17.98	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	4	3	12	6	2	3	1	2
Computer operators	48	11.29	11.30	9.50–12.71	-	-	-	-	1	1	3	-	1	3	8	-	14	6	4	3	-	4	-	-	-	-	-
Computer operators I	8	7.69	7.35	- -	-	-	-	-	1	1	3	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Computer operators II	16	10.46	9.68	9.49–11.30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	7	-	6	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Computer operators III	24	13.04	12.37	11.60–14.47	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	6	4	2	-	4	-	-	-	-	-
Drafters	56	13.71	12.62	11.28–15.42	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	2	16	9	2	8	7	1	2	1	2	-	3
Drafters III	28	11.56	11.28	11.28–12.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	2	13	5	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Drafters IV	21	14.21	14.84	12.62–15.50	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	4	2	5	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Electronics technicians	575	17.05	17.59	16.63–18.03	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	4	2	16	18	57	22	47	244	140	22	3
Electronics technicians I	26	13.80	13.72	12.61–15.51	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	4	2	6	4	4	4	-	-	-	-	-
Electronics technicians III	447	17.70	17.87	17.48–18.13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	4	8	35	232	140	22	3	-
Maintenance carpenters	10	16.44	17.19	- -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	2	8	-	-	-	-
Maintenance electricians	25	14.67	15.05	11.56–17.97	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	2	-	3	-	5	5	-	-	-
Maintenance painters	8	16.22	16.66	- -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	4	1	-	-	-	-
Maintenance machinists	31	14.84	14.50	13.75–17.78	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	1	1	11	4	-	8	-	-	-	-
Maintenance mechanics (machinery)	27	13.82	12.50	11.56–15.45	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	12	1	2	1	4	-	5	1	-	-	-
Motor vehicle mechanics	47	15.59	16.25	14.45–16.25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	8	4	1	28	5	-	-	-	-
General maintenance workers	64	9.73	8.98	8.00–10.94	-	-	-	-	5	1	4	2	8	12	7	9	2	2	-	11	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maintenance trades helpers	11	10.49	10.67	- -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	2	2	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 1. Hourly earnings[1] of selected occupations in Santa Barbara-Santa Maria-Lompoc, CA, August 1990 —Continued

Occupation[2]	Number of workers	Hourly earnings (in dollars)[1]			Number of workers receiving straight-time hourly earnings (in dollars) of —																				
		Mean	Median	Middle range	4.25 and under 4.50	4.50 – 5.00	5.00 – 5.50	5.50 – 6.00	6.00 – 6.50	6.50 – 7.00	7.00 – 7.50	7.50 – 8.00	8.00 – 8.50	8.50 – 9.00	9.00 – 10.00	10.00 – 11.00	11.00 – 12.00	12.00 – 13.00	13.00 – 14.00	14.00 – 15.00	15.00 – 16.00	16.00 – 17.00	17.00 – 18.00	18.00 – 19.00	19.00 – 20.00	20.00 – 21.00	21.00 and over
Shippers	14	10.39	11.39	– –	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	4	2	–	8	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Receivers	26	9.50	9.50	8.81–11.00	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	4	10	–	4	2	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Warehousemen	113	9.90	10.44	8.07–11.38	–	–	–	1	–	1	2	1	–	4	11	21	31	4	6	3	–	–	–	–	–	–
Material handling laborers	14	7.59	7.46	– –	–	–	–	3	6	3	8	2	12	3	–	–	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Forklift operators	25	8.60	9.09	7.30– 9.67	–	–	–	–	–	5	4	1	3	–	13	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Janitors, porters, and cleaners	330	6.34	6.25	4.25– 8.06	100	6	44	7	27	11	21	14	62	6	20	8	4	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–

[1] Excludes premium pay for overtime and for work on weekends, holidays, and late shifts. Also excluded are performance bonuses and lump-sum payments of the type negotiated in the auto and aerospace industries, as well as profit-sharing payments, attendance bonuses, Christmas or year-end bonuses, and other nonproduction bonuses. Pay increases—but not bonuses—under cost-of-living allowance clauses and incentive payments, however, are included. Hourly earnings reported for salaried workers are derived from regular salaries divided by the corresponding standard hours of work. The wages of learners, apprentices, and handicapped workers are excluded. The mean is computed for each job by totaling the earnings of all workers and dividing by the number of workers. The median designates position—one-half of the workers receive the same as or more than this rate and one-half receive the same as or less than this rate. The middle range is defined by two rates of pay; one-fourth of the workers earn the same as or less than the lower of these rates and one-fourth earn the same as or more than the higher rate. Middle ranges are not provided when fewer than 15 workers are reported.

[2] For occupations with more than one level, data are included in the overall classification when a subclassification is not shown or information to subclassify is not available.

[3] Workers were distributed as follows: 10 at 21.00 to 22.00; 11 at 22.00 to 23.00; 10 at 23.00 to 24.00; 7 at 24.00 to 25.00; and 7 at 25.00 and over.

[4] Workers were distributed as follows: 11 at 21.00 to 22.00; 3 at 24.00 to 25.00; and 3 at 25.00 to 26.00.

Table 2. Establishments and workers within scope of survey and number studied in Santa Barbara-Santa Maria-Lompoc, CA,[1] August 1990

Industry division[2]	Minimum employment in establishments in scope of survey	Number of establishments		Workers in establishments		
		Within scope of survey[3]	Studied	Within scope of survey[4]		Studied
				Number	Percent	
All divisions	50	246	93	44,319	100	25,652
Manufacturing	50	61	23	14,721	33	9,778
Nonmanufacturing[5]	50	185	70	29,598	67	15,874

[1] The Santa Barbara-Santa Maria-Lompoc Metropolitan Statistical Area, as defined by the Office of Management and Budget through October 1984, consists of Santa Barbara County. The "workers within scope of survey" estimates shown in this table provide a reasonably accurate description of the size and composition of the labor force included in the survey. The estimates are not intended, however, to serve as a basis for comparison with other statistical series to measure employment trends or levels since (1) planning of wage surveys requires the use of establishment data compiled considerably in advance of the payroll period studied, and (2) small establishments are excluded from the scope of the survey.

[2] The *Standard Industrial Classification Manual* was used in classifying establishments by industry. All government operations are excluded from the scope of the survey.

[3] Includes all establishments with total employment at or above the minimum limitation. All outlets (within a metropolitan area or nonmetropolitan county) of nonmanufacturing companies are considered as one establishment when located within the same industry division.

[4] Includes all workers in all establishments with total employment (within the area) at or above the minimum limitation.

[5] Includes transportation, communication, and other public utilities (excluding taxicabs and services incidental to water transportation); wholesale trade; retail trade; finance, insurance, and real estate; hotels and other lodging places; personal services; business services; automotive repair services and garages; motion pictures; membership organizations (excluding religious organizations); and miscellaneous services. Major industries excluded from this survey are agriculture; mining; construction; and some services (notably educational institutions and medical services).

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